COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 18, 2014

The Columbia River Compact met today and revised the open hours of the Deep River fishery effective beginning Friday night, September 19. The following is the revised season:

2014 Select Area Fall Season - Deep River Fishery
Friday night September 19, 2014
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights September 22 - 27
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights September 29 - Oct. 17
Monday night October 20 and Thursday night October 23
Open 6 PM – 9 AM (15 hours)
Deep River Select Area: all waters downstream of the town of Deep River to the mouth defined by a line from USCG navigation marker #16 southwest to a marker on the Washington shore.
Gillnet. Maximum mesh size restriction is 6-inches. Maximum net length is 100 fathoms. No weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed. No nets can be tied off to stationary structures. Nets may not fully cross the navigation channel. It is unlawful to operate in any river, stream or channel any gillnet gear longer than three-fourths the width of the river, stream, or channel. "River, stream, or channel width" is defined as bank-to-bank, where the water meets the banks, regardless of the time of tide or the water level. This emergency provision shall supersede the permanent regulation and all other regulations that conflict with it. All other provisions of the permanent regulation remain in effect (WAC 220-20-015(1)). Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. Nets fished any time between official sunset and official sunrise must have lighted buoys on both ends of the net. If the net is attached to the boat, then one lighted buoy on the end of the net opposite the boat is required. Chinook, coho, pink and sockeye salmon and shad
24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240. Submission of a report is not complete until the report arrives at the designated department location.
Reports can be made via fax at 360-906-6776 or 360-906-6777; via e-mail at crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov; or via phone at 1- 866-791-1281.
Faxing or reporting electronically in portable document format (PDF) a copy of each fish receiving ticket used satisfies the quick reporting requirement.

• No Compacts are currently scheduled.